SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 290 By McNally

A RESOLUTION to honor Clyde Hopkins for his professional achievements, upon his retirement.

WHEREAS, it is fitting and proper that the members of the Senate and the elected representatives of the state of Tennessee should pause to pay tribute to those exemplary citizens who have made invaluable contributions to their chosen professions; and

WHEREAS, Clyde Hopkins is one such person who has given unreservedly of himself for more than 43 years to assist and enhance atomic research and the development of nuclear energy; and

WHEREAS, after joining Union Carbide in 1952 as an accountant, Clyde Hopkins' leadership skills were soon recognized and he was later named manager of accounting for the Nuclear Division; and

WHEREAS, in 1972 his personal commitment to excellence earned him the position of manager of Union Carbide's Paducah, Kentucky Plant; and

WHEREAS, realizing Mr. Hopkins' exceptional organizational and management skills, as well as his integrity and dedication to work for the betterment of the community, Oak Ridge National Laboratory named him executive director. He later served with acumen as Nuclear Division vice president for uranium enrichment and senior vice president of Energy Systems; and

WHEREAS, in 1993 he was named president of the Energy Group; and

WHEREAS, Clyde Hopkins was instrumental in the development of the Energy Systems Values Program; and

WHEREAS, he will long be remembered for his concern for individual employees and their families; and

WHEREAS, for years, Clyde Hopkins has been a shining example of teamwork, integrity, quality, dedication and community development; and

WHEREAS, Clyde Hopkins has been an invaluable asset to his community and the state of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, even though Clyde Hopkins has answered the call of retirement, he will leave behind a legacy of excellence in human achievement that will be hard to equal; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we hereby honor the prosperous and outstanding career of Clyde Hopkins, and extend to him our very best blessings for a happy and fulfilling retirement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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